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HAVING now REPLEN-
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and AMERICAN NOVELTIES,
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dexterity and despatch, and at
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HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 1893.

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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

Banks.

LONDON.—F. ALZAC, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STEPHEN & Co., 30, Cornhill, E. G. BATES & GOTON, Ludgate Hill, E. C. BATES & HENDERSON, 27, Walbrook, E. C. SAMUEL DEAN & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILLIS, 151, Leadenhall Street, E. C. ROBERT WADSON, 150 Fleet Street, PARIS AND EUROPE.—ADEMER PRIMOUX, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK.—J. STEWART HAPPE, THE CHINESE EVANGELIST OFFICE, 52, West 22nd Street. SAN FRANCISCO.—American Posts generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTON, Melbourne and Sydney. OXFORD.—W. M. SMITH & Co., The ANDREW RICE CO., LTD. JOHN TEURBURN, Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, February 4, 1893.

Intimations.

S. S. OORYIA.

TAKE NOTICE that I have received an authority dated the 20th June, 1893, from the Board of Trade, London, authorizing me to carry the NAME of the Steamship "Ooryia," and that from this date the said Steamship will be called and known by the NAME of KWONG HOL.

THE STEAMER leaves Hongkong for CANTON, on SUNDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS at 6.30 p.m., from the JADEWEE WHARF, West Point; and leaves CANTON for HONGKONG, on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY EVENINGS, at 5 p.m. The Steamer has superior accommodation for Passengers.

Dated the 14th day of August, 1893.

TSEUNG SZ KAI.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN accordance with the provision of No. 12 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents have the Day Received an Interim DIVIDEND of Five PER CENT. for the Half Year ending 30th June, 1893, or the Half Year of the Company.

DRAFTS WARRANTS payable on

FRIDAY, the 25th August, will be issued to SHAREHOLDERS.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to 26th Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, May 24, 1893.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN,
AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £22,000,000.

CAPITAL CALLED UP, £25,000,150.

Board of Directors,

W.M. KELLOCK, Esq., Chairman.

Adolfus Andri, Esq. F. D. SASSON, Esq.

Egbert Fleeson, Esq. H. D. Stewart, Esq.

David McLean, Esq.

Hongkong Committee.

The Hon'ble J. K. KESWICK.

The Hon'ble C. P. CRATER.

H. HOPPIUS, Esq.

Head Office:

3, PRINCES STREET, LONDON.

Branches:

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

Agencies:

PEKING, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST.

Allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,

Manager.

Hongkong, April 10, 1893.

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HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-

ducted by the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORA-

TION. Rules may be obtained on ap-

plication.

INTEREST on deposit is allowed at

5% PER CENT. per annum. Depositors

may transfer at their option, balances of

\$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND

SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on

FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per

annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai

Banking Corporation.

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 15, 1893.

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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$10,000,000.

RESERVE FUND, \$3,000,000.

RESERVE LIABILITY OF \$10,000,000.

PROPRIETORS—

COURT OF DIRECTORS—

H. HOPPIUS, Esq., Chairman.

C. J. HOLLOWAY, Esq., Deputy Chairman.

Carl Janzen, Esq. A. MacConachie, Esq.

H. H. Joseph, Esq. J. S. Moses, Esq.

Hon. J. J. Keswick. D. R. Sasseen, Esq.

Julius Kramer, Esq.

Chief Manager:

Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.

Manager:

Shanghai—J. P. Wade Gardner, Esq.

London Bankers—LONDON AND COUNTY

BANKING CO., LTD.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2

per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—

For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.

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T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 18, 1893.

880

ALL PROGRAMMES

FOR SALE.

IN NEW SHADES AND PATTERNS.

'CHINA MAIL' OFFICE,

6, WIGGINS STREET.

Hongkong, April 10, 1893.

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Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTORISED CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

SUBSCRIBED, £1,25,000.

Bankers:

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at the Rate of 2 % per Annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS—

For 12 Months, 5 %

For 9 Months, 4 1/2 %

For 3 Months, 3 1/2 %

JOHN TEURBURN,

Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 4, 1893.

Intimations.

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & C°.

NEW SEASON'S ISIGNY BUTTER, 1, 2 and 7 lb Tins.

STEAKY BREAKFAST BACON in Tins.

SELECTED YORK HAMS.

MILD CANADIAN CHIESE.

CONFITURE DE ST. JAMES' FRENCH JAMS.

BALM'S ENGLISH JAMS.

DESSERT FRUITS in Syrup.

AMERICAN PRUNES, FRENCH PRUNES.

S M Y R N A T I G S.

ANCHOVIES, BONITO, BAKED BEANS, BOAR'S HEAD, BRAIN, BUCKWHEAT,

Celery, SALT, CLAMS, GOURMETTE, HADDOCKS, HERBS, HERRINGS,

HONEY, JELLY, LOBSTER, MACKEREL, Maple SYRUP,

MUSHROOMS, OLIVES, PIG'S FEET, PILCHARDS.

A U S T R A L I A N RABBITS.

SALMON, SARDINES, SAUSAGES, Tart FRUITS, TONGUES, Turkey

RAGOUT, TRUFFLES, TRIPE.

LIME JUICE CONCENTRATE.

FRUIT SYRUP.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, August 15, 1893.

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THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,

Telephone address, "EXCELSIOR" Hongkong, 1,400 FEET ABOVE THE SEA LEVEL.

No. 35.

THIS Magnificent HOTEL is situated at the most beautiful part of the Hill.

ARRIVALS:—The Air is delightfully cool and bracing, the Temperature being at

least 10 degrees lower than in the valley beneath. Luxuriously furnished, and Cuisine

and Wines First-class.

THE TABLE D'HOTÉ DINNER

Is served in the GRAND DINING ROOM at 7.45 p.m.

Arrangements can be made for DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE ROOMS. Tables or

Seats can be reserved for the TABLE D'HOTÉ, and WINES iced to Order.

For further Particulars, apply to the Undersigned, or to the SECRETARY at the

Company's OFFICE, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

R. ISHERWOOD, Manager, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, August 21, 1893.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 271.

CHINA SEA.

NEW CHIANG DISTRICT.</p

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ
PORT SAID,
MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSHILLS, LONDON,
HAVRE AND BORDEAUX:
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 23rd August, 1893, at Noon, the Company's S.S. *SALAZIE*, Commandant PAUL with MAIIS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and OARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 22nd August, 1893. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 10, 1893. 1394

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Per (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) SATURDAY, Aug. 26.

City of Rio de Janeiro, THURSDAY, Sept. 14.

Per Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama, THURSDAY, Oct. 5.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama), THURSDAY, Oct. 5.

Island Sea and Yokohama).....

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THE U. S. Mail Steamship *PERU*

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KORE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 26th August, at 1 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

First Class Passengers have full choice of the Overseas Route, including CENTRAL PACIFIC, SOUTHERN PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, NORTH-EASTERN PACIFIC, and DENVER and RIO GRANDE RAILWAYS. They can also travel over the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, on payment of \$10 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Particulars of various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japanese Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Latin American Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 12, Queen's Road Central, J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, August 9, 1893. 1388

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Carriers will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crews of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

GALVESTON, German barque, Captain H. Jakobson.—Wieland & Co.

GEORGE STERSON, American ship, Capt. E. L. Murphy.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Daphne*, Captain F. Voss, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th Inst.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and my Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th Inst. at 4 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 21, 1893. 1454

To-day's Advertisements.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,

SUEZ, PORT SAID,

NAPLES, GENOA,

ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,

PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK

SEA & BALIKI PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,

BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,

GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN

PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S SHIPMENTS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

TO-MORROW, the 22nd day of August, 1893, at Daylight, the Company's S.S. *OLDENBURG*, Captain H. GATHMANN, with MAIIS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and OARGO, will leave this Port for the principal places of Europe.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.')

(Via Southern Line.)

HEAT FATALITIES.

LONDON, August 19, 1893.

Numerous deaths and cases of sunstroke have occurred in Great Britain, the result of excessive heat.

CHOLERA.

Cholera is spreading in Southern Italy.

STRIKES IN WALES.

Fierce fighting has taken place among the miners in Wales, strikers against non-strikers. Four thousand troops have been ordered there.

SILVER.

The Senate's financial committee agreed to the report to the Senate on the bill repealing the Sherman Act and providing to maintain the parity of Silver either by legislation or by interstate agreement.

(From Manila Papers.)

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY.

MADRID, Aug. 13.

Violent shocks of earthquake were felt in Italy, whereby some persons were killed and others injured. Eruptions of Vesuvius and Etna are feared.

The Manila Chamber of Commerce has received the following telegram from its delegate in Madrid:—

Madrid, Aug. 14.—The Tangier merchants met the day before yesterday and resolved to oppose the introduction of Philippine coins. The agents propose to suspend transactions.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—Crown, Moldavia, June 30; Balcarres Brook, July 4; Kara, 14; Adson, 18; Samad, 25; Mowat Tabor, 28; Glendronach, Irton, August 4; Moyne, Lauing, Gora, 8; Madras, 11.

HOWEVER BOUND:—Laetitia, agriphine, July 28; Glevyalloch, Aug. 1; Trocas, Flintshire, 4; Bennerley, Dovedale, 8; Glamorganshire, Palamed, 11.

The M. C. Co.'s steamship *Melbourne*, with the French Mail of July 21, left Saigon on Sunday, the 29th August, at 5 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, Aug. 23. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on June 14.

The O. & O. S. S. Oceanic, from Vancouver, leaves Yokohama at 5 p.m. on Aug. 22, for Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shantung.

The P. M. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio Janeiro* left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, on Aug. 10.

The P. M. a. s. City of New York, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on Aug. 19.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Aygrammen* left Singapore on Aug. 16, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 22.The P. & O. S. Co. *Concord* left Singapore for this port on Aug. 17, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 23.

The D. D. R. & S. Krienkild, from Hamburg, left Singapura for this port on Aug. 20, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 26.

The N. G. I. & S. *Burnard* left Bombay for this port on Aug. 9, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 27.The P. & O. S. A. *Forsoma* left Bombay for that port on Aug. 16.

The P. M. S. S. City of New York, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on the 19th instant.

The agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that the steamer *Melbourne* left Saigon yesterday morning, the 20th inst., at 5 o'clock.The D. D. R. steamer *Krienkild*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The C. P. R. & S. Empress of India, from Vancouver, arrived at Yokohama at 6.30 a.m. to-day, and leaves again at 5 p.m. for Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Yokohama.

At the Magistracy this morning Li Yat was fined by Mr. Wodehouse \$80 for having five tools of prepared opium in his house at 29 Stanley Street without having a permit from the Opium Farmer.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. R.M.S. Empress of China, from Hongkong, arrived at Shanghai on Friday, at 6.30 p.m., and sailed again for Nagasaki at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

The O. & O. S. S. Oceanic, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 1st inst., and Honolulu to the 8th inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port tomorrow morning.

The third of the Naval entertainments in aid of the Victoria Disaster Fund took place in the City Hall on Saturday evening. There was again a large attendance and the performance was, on the whole, very successful.

During the week ending Aug. 20, 1893, 194 Europeans and 1937 Chinese visited the City Hall Museum.

JOHN HARRIS, who was before Captain Hastings at the Magistracy on Saturday on a charge of attempting to obtain goods by means of false pretences, was convicted to-day, and sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

In the U. S. Consular Court at Kobe, on the 11th inst., judgment was given on the demur in the case in which Mr. Knobell, British Consul, charged Mr. Taylor with slander. Consul Smithers decided that the words used by the accused were not indictable. The Associates concurred.

THE Inspector of the Sanitary Department are displaying much activity at present in Chinatown with a view to keep down nuisances. There came before the Police Magistrate this morning several cases in which householders were charged with laying out salt fish and other articles to dry in the sun. Small fines were imposed.

According to a bill presented to the Board of Revenue, by the N.C. Daily News, the Chinese daily, sacrificial vessels, and musical instruments made for the Emperor, etc., People to the father of the Emperor, late Prince Chun, alone cost a trifle under Rs. 70,000. Although His Majesty has not disputed the bill, at the instance of the Board concerned who state that they are short of finances, His Majesty has decreed that half of the amount asked for be paid now and the balance next year.

TENKO, Kobe Herald of the 7th says:—The police sealed tenders for the supply of iron pipes (6315 tons) required for the Osaka Water Works were opened at 10 a.m. on the 31st ultimo. The gross amounts of the various tenders are given below:—

Meiji Steel Bros. (Yokohama) £30,563
Jardine Matheson & Co. (Yokohama) £31,360
Hunter & Co. (Kobe) £31,360
Nagai Yotaku Kaihatsu (Tokio) £33,057
Chinaman Japan Trading Co. (Kobe) £33,486
Rapay & Co. (Kobe) £33,503
Mitsui Russian Kaihatsu £36,506
C. J. Farre-Brandt (Osaka) £37,174

As has been announced, the order has been given to Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Company.

Reporters of a terrible double murder near Chinting are in to-day's Native papers, the *Shanghai Mercury* of the 12th inst., the victim being the nephew and the brother of the murderer. The history of the crime is that the murderer adopted his nephew many years ago as his son, and brought him up. Some time ago the uncle brought a young girl home and betrothed her to his nephew, and the marriage became fixed for some time in the spring. But unfortunately the uncle became estranged with his intended nieces-in-law, and began to carry on an intrigue with her, which being discovered by the nephew led to the fatal quarrel. The young man on learning what was going to run off to his real father, who lived far away. The uncle followed and killed father and son with a hatchet. The murderer has been arrested and will be brought to trial in due course.The *Singapore Times* says:—H. E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi Smith) has received a telegram from the Secretary of State in which Lord Kelvin says that he is glad to hear that the Chinese feeling towards His Excellency is cordial, but, nevertheless, on public grounds he is obliged to adhere to the Colonial Office report. Consequently His Excellency cannot accept the silver screen now being prepared by the Chinese as a parting present to the Governor. His Excellency, in communicating that decision to the Chinese, assures them that he shall always remember their kind wish to give him a permanent monument of their feelings towards him. It is to be presumed that the decision of the Secretary of State will apply also to the casket proposed to be presented behalf of the Selangor Chinese.

The P. M. S. S. City of New York, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on Aug. 19.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Aygrammen* left Singapore on Aug. 16, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 22.The P. & O. S. Co. *Concord* left Singapore for this port on Aug. 17, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 23.The D. D. R. & S. *Krienkild*, from Hamburg, left Singapura for this port on Aug. 20, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 26.The N. G. I. & S. *Burnard* left Bombay for this port on Aug. 9, and may be expected here on or about Aug. 27.The P. & O. S. A. *Forsoma* left Bombay for that port on Aug. 16.

The P. M. S. S. City of New York, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on the 19th instant.

The agent of the M. M. Co. informs us that the steamer *Melbourne* left Saigon yesterday morning, the 20th inst., at 5 o'clock.The D. D. R. steamer *Krienkild*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The C. P. R. & S. Empress of India, from Vancouver, arrived at Yokohama at 6.30 a.m. to-day, and leaves again at 5 p.m. for Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Yokohama.

At the Magistracy this morning Li Yat was fined by Mr. Wodehouse \$80 for having five tools of prepared opium in his house at 29 Stanley Street without having a permit from the Opium Farmer.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. R.M.S. Empress of China, from Hongkong, arrived at Shanghai on Friday, at 6.30 p.m., and sailed again for Nagasaki at 4 p.m. on Saturday.

The O. & O. S. S. Oceanic, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 1st inst., and Honolulu to the 8th inst., has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port tomorrow morning.

The third of the Naval entertainments in aid of the Victoria Disaster Fund took place in the City Hall on Saturday evening. There was again a large attendance and the performance was, on the whole, very successful.

For the second time within a fortnight (says the *Shanghai Mercury* of the 16th inst.) fire has occurred on board a steamer in this harbour.On the 2nd inst. we had the fire on board the a.s. *Tidemore* and now we have to record another which occurred last night on board, Mr. Geo. McLean's river steamer *Sail*, Captain Scott. The vessel was lying at her usual berth at the China Merchants' Central Wharf and was to have left at 1 o'clock this morning for the Yangtze Port. Shortly before midnight Mr. W. Wise, the chief engineer, went down to the engine-room to see that everything was in readiness for starting, when he discovered something burning in the after hold. Five hundred cases of kerosene were stored in this part of the engine room, and in the 'tween decks there were 300 more. The general alarm was at once given, and the *Hongkong Comptroller*, which was the first to arrive, quickly had a stream of water laid on from one of the wharf hydrants. The hose was taken through one of the cargo ports and the deluge of water was quickly visible. The fireman had a couple of hours' hard work, but it was not before the after-hold had been flooded to a depth of four feet that the fire was extinguished. Fortunately none of the kerosene was ignited, though several of the cases were badly charred. The origin of the outbreak is at present a mystery. Practically no damage was done to the ship, and after the water had been pumped out of the after-hold, she proceeded on her voyage, having been only a few hours delayed.

MR. J. R. ANTON seconded.

Agreed.

The Chairman said that was all the business. He thanked them for their attendance.

MR. WOOD.

Before we separate I beg to

propose a vote of thanks to the Directors and management for the successful working of the business as attested by the accounts which have just been passed. (Applause.)

It is still one of the standing orders that Police Sergeants and Constables are not to interfere or go into gambling houses without special instructions. —Is it?

Did you hear of a similar complaint made by McElroy from Kennedy Town a short time ago?—Yes. It was not exactly a similar case. It was a case of offering a bribe.

Have you ever had any business or transac-

tions with the prisoners before?—Yes.

For the men presumably, or for your own use?—For my own use.

And he had never approached you in any way before with reference to gambling or anything of the sort?—Never.

Are there many gambling houses in your district?—No.

Any know of that have been re-

ported?—None.

Can you suggest any reason why this man should come to you at No. 7 Police Station to talk to you upon a subject like this?—Only his own statement.

Do you think anyone might have sug-

gested to him that the police were partici-

pated in temptation at that moment?—I do not know.

Are not petitions going on constantly to the Governor from the European police for increase of salary?—I do not know.

Are there not applications made on behalf of the European police either to the Governor or otherwise to Mr. May or to the European Constables and Sergeants?—Not to my knowledge.

Is it customary for people waiting to

have the police to go to the Police Station?

Have you heard of it being done before?

Substituting the word "gambling" for

"opium," is not the whole of the conver-

sation between McElroy and the man he charged with bribing him and that before you and the prisoner similar?—I read the newspaper report of the other case. I do not remember the conversation in the case.

In a letter from Saynashan near Sim-

ganta, the capital of Shensi, under date 9th July, the Rev. Mr. Duncan says:—

Famines seems inevitable here. For two years the crops have been badly sufficient to sustain life of starvation. Any failure now would mean death to thousands. The Shensi harvest has failed, and if the Anhwei crop also fails, God only knows what these poor people will do.

The position is this. Just now the

turning point—either life or death. If

famine, what must we do? I know the coast people are becoming turned to famine appeals. So far as I can see, it would be better to prevent than to relieve distress, and that by bribing him and that before you and the prisoner similar?—I do not know.

Substituting the word "gambling" for

"opium," is not the whole of the conver-

sation between McElroy and the man he charged with bribing him and that before you and the prisoner similar?—I do not know.

We are an engineer to be sent to the spot, he could do more for the permanent relief of distress than all the relief possible during famine. Is there any likelihood that the mercantile foreign population would favour any scheme for helping to prevent famine? What would be the likely result of making an appeal to them?

An Imperial decree was issued on the 15th inst., in reply to a report sent to His Majesty by Peckler and other officials, who said that the rice intended for the relief of sufferers from the floods in the North should be properly cleaned and dried before it was sent to the affected districts, and that orders should be given to the Board of Revenue, who has control of the granaries, Vice-President of the Board of Revenue, to see that everything was done properly. The decree says that the erection of sheds and the distribution of rice to the poor are to be entrusted to the two Vice Presidents of the Board of Revenue. The Superintendents of the Metropolitan granaries are to carefully select the best rice, and if any rice sent to the sheds turns out to be unfit for boiling into congee, the officers responsible should be degraded. Li Hung-chang is to send delegates to take delivery of the 14,400 shih of rice, which have been set aside for the relief of the distressed in the Shun and Chih districts. These Shantung men are ambivorous—famine does not scruple at the kinds of meat.'

On the 9th of August, Mr. Duncan de-

spatched the following telegram:—

Famine, fatal distress; area limited;

canal? We limited' we would understand the eight counties mentioned in the above letter.

The authorities are quite friendly, invit-

ing the missionaries to open a college in the capital, and offering to meet all expenses.

Any subscriptions for famine relief or for the prevention of famine will be most thankfully received by the Rev. Timothy Richard, 61 Quinsay Road, Shanghai.—*N. C. Daily News.*

Telegraphic communication has been re-

stored between Tsinan and the capital.

It was necessary in order to do this, to

raise no fewer than 100 of the telegraph poles which had been swept away by the flood.

Mr. Fullerton Henderson was re-elected auditor on the motion of Capt. Burrie, seconded by Mr. Bain.

The meeting transacted some business in private.

THE SUPREME COURT.

THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 9526.—AUGUST 21, 1893.]

Mails.



STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,
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Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship RAVENNA, Capt. G. W. F. BROWN, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, (connecting at Bombay with S.S. SHANNON), which vessel takes her cargo for LONDON, via SUZEE CANAL, leaving that port on the 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1893, on THURSDAY, the 1st August, at Noon, taking Passengers and cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcel will be received at this office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

H. H. JOSEPH,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, August 17, 1893. 1436

Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1893.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Victoria ... | Tuesday | August 23.

Taomen ... | Thursday | Sept. 26.

Mogul ... | Thursday | Oct. 19.

Victoria ... | Thursday | Nov. 9.

Taomen ... | Tuesday | Dec. 12.

Mogul ... | Tuesday | Jan. 2/94.

THE Steamship VICTORIA, Capt. J. PANTON, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 23rd August, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA via SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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Parcels must be sent to our Office with address marked in full by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information to Passengers or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, August 10, 1893. 1395

Intimations.

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The Steamers on the Pacific and all Day, Sleeping and Dining Cars are comfortably heated by Steam during the Winter Season.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent.

Hongkong, August 16, 1893. 1429

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS, AUG. 21, 1893.

Stocks Nos. of Value. Paid Closing Quotations, Shares up. Cash.

BANKS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Ltd. 60,000 £ 125 all 92 1/2 prem., sales

New Isabell 10,000 £ 125 1/2 prem., sales

Bank of China, Limited... 99,875 £ 10.4 11 1/2 50 cents, non.

Ld. 1,200 £ 120, sellers

National Bank of China, Limited... ... £ 10.2 8.10 £27, sellers

CHINA INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

Janitor Insurance Office, Ltd. 10,000 £ 25.0 50 \$12, buyers

Draper's Insurance Co., Ltd. 34,000 £ 82,334 2 1/2 \$50, sellers and buyers

for Life Insurance Co., Ltd. 10,000 £ 20.0 20 1/2 \$10, 100, sellers

Strait's Insurance Co., Ltd. 40,000 £ 10.5 20 1/2 \$20, buyers

China Insurance Society, Co., Ltd. 10,000 £ 25.0 20 \$82, buyers

Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd. 8,000 £ 100 n/a \$60, sellers

THE INSURANCES.

China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 20,000 £ 10.0 25 1/2 \$20, sellers

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 8,000 £ 25.0 20 1/2 \$20, sellers

Strait's Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. 20,000 £ 10.0 20 1/2 steady

BOOKS.

Hongkong & Shanghai Dist. Co., Ltd. 12,500 £ 125 all 72 1/2 prem., sales

STEAMBOATS.

China and Manilla S. C., Ltd. 5,000 £ 10.0 all 32 1/2, sellers

Douglas S. Membership Co., Ltd. 20,050 £ 20.0 20 1/2 \$30, sellers

U. S. Mail S. M. Steamboat Co., Ltd. 50,000 £ 20.0 20 1/2 \$30, sellers

Indo-Chin. S. N. Co., Ltd. 60,000 £ 10.0 20 1/2 \$30, sellers

Steam Launch Company, Limited. 2,000 £ 50.0 20 1/2 \$20, steady

China Mutual S. N. Co. 20,000 £ 20.0 20 1/2 steady

Do. (new issue) 20,000 £ 10.0 1/2 1 \$1, sellers

REFINERIES.

China Sugar Company, Ltd. 15,000 £ 100 all 8155, old, steady

Luzon Sugar Company, Ltd. 7,000 £ 100 all 3232, sellers

H. K. & K. W. Waif & Co., Ltd. 20,000 £ 50 all 338, sellers

Waif & Co., Limited... 2,600 £ 100 \$ 37/2 \$412, nom.

LAND AND BUILDING.

Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited... 50,000 £ 10.0 20 1/2 \$50, buyers

Kowloon Land and Building Company, ... 6,000 £ 50.0 30 1/2 \$63, buyers

Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., West Point Building, Co., Limited... 1,000 £ 10.0 1/2 1 \$14, nom.

12,600 £ 50.0 40 1/2 \$23, sellers

H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd. 1,200 £ 10.0 all \$672, nom.

Jade Min. & Trading Co., Ltd. 15,000 £ 5 all 83.35, sales

Paragon Min. Co., Ltd. 4,000 £ 4 3 84, sales and buyers

Southern France des Charbonnages de Tonkin... 8,000 Feu. 600 Fa. 500 75, sellers

The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 15,000 £ 10.0 1/2 1 \$105, buyers

New Louris Mines, Limited... 17,500,000 £ 1 1/2 1/4 \$1, buyers

Kaub Gold Mining Co., Ltd. 200,000 £ 1 1/2 1/4 \$1, buyers

Société Française des Houillères de Tourane... 8,000 Feu. 500 F. 37. nom.

PLANTING, ETC.

China-Borneo Company, Ltd. 7,500 £ 10.0 55 \$1, buyers

H. G. Brown & Co., Limited... 6,000 £ 50.0 55 \$3, steady

Austin Arun Land and Building Company, Limited... 4,000 £ 50.0 50 nom.

Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd. 6,000 £ 50.0 50 nom.

3,000 £ 10.0 50 nom.

Hongkong Dairy Farm Co. 6,000 £ 50.0 50 \$57, sellers

Hongkong Ice Company, Limited... 3,000 £ 50.0 50 all \$572, sellers

* Founder's shares

LOANS.

Amount. Value. Interest. Quotation.

Chinese Imperial 1886 £ 767,200 £ 250 7% p. annu. 13 % prem., buyers

DEBENTURES.

Hongkong Hotel Mortg. £ 400,000 £ 450 6% prem. £500

Debt Debentures 1889

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

(Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.)

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *a*, near the Kowloon shore *b*, and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between such shores are marked *c*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.	1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.	7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
2.	From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.	8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
3.	From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.	9. From Kelle's Island to North Point.
4.	From Harbour Master's in the P. and O. Office.	10. Kowloon Wharf.
5.	From P.	